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<u>AMENDMENT</u>

To the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows.

Claim 1. (currently amended) A method for transmitting data through a multi-path bus in

a transmission system having a plurality of data transmission channels, comprising:

a data block being divided into a plurality of data segments and being transmitted via said data

transmission channels by a transmitting end of said transmission system, wherein the transmitting

end comprises a transmitting end arbitor coupled to a plurality of transmitting end transceivers; and

said data segments being received and assembled to said data block at a receiving end of

said transmission system through said data transmission channels, wherein the receiving end

comprises a receiving end arbitor coupled to a plurality of receiving end transceivers.

Claim 2. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising a size and a quantity of said

data segments being determined upon communication between said transmitting end and said

receiving end through said data transmission channels.

Claim 3. (original) The method of claim 1 further comprising statuses of said data

transmission channels and said data segments being maintained by said transmitting end of said

transmission system, and one of said data transmission channels being determined to transmit

said data segments based on statuses of said data transmission channels and statuses of said data

segments.

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Claim 4. (original) The method of claim 3 further comprising said data segment that is under transmission being simultaneously transmitted via at least one of said data transmitting channels that is idling when none of said data segments being to-be-transmitted.

Claim 5. (original) The method of claim 1, wherein said data segments are numbered by said transmitting end and are assembled to said data book thereby said receiving end.

Claim 6. (original) A system for transmitting data through a multi-path bus in a transmission system, comprising

a plurality of transmitting end transceivers;

a plurality of receiving end transceivers, coupling to said plurality of transmitting end transceivers via a plurality of data transmission channels;

a transmitting end arbitor, coupling to said transmitting end transceivers for dividing a data block into a plurality of data segments for transmission through said data transmission channels; and

a receiving end arbitor, coupling to said receiving end transceivers for receiving said data segments through said data transmission channels and assembling said data segments to said data block.

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Claim 7. (currently amended) The system of claim 6, wherein a size and a quantity of said

data segments are determined upon communication between said transmitting end arbitor and

said receiving end arbitor through one of said data transmission channels before said data block

is transmitted.

Claim 8. (currently amended) The system of claim 6, wherein said data segments and said

a plurality of statuses of said data transmission channels are maintained by said transmitting end

arbitor, and one of said data transmission channels is determined to transmit said data segments

based on said statuses thereof.

Claim 9. (original) The system of claim 8, wherein when status of one of said data

transmission channels is determined idle by said transmitting end arbitor, none of said data

segment is to be transmitted, and one of said data segments is being transmitted, said one of said

plurality data segment is transmitted simultaneously by said transmitting end arbitor through said

data transmission channel that is determined idle.

Claim 10. (original) The system of claim 6, wherein said data segments are numbered by

said transmitting end arbitor, and said data block is assembled to said data block accordingly.

Claim 11. (original) The system of claim 6, wherein said data transmission channels are

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optical fiber channels.

Claim 12. (original) The system of claim 6, wherein said data transmission channels are

universal serial bus channels.

Claim 13. (original) A transmitting end for a multi-path bus data transmission, comprising:

a plurality of transmitting end transceivers, providing a plurality of data transmission

channels; and

a transmitting end arbitor, coupling to said plurality of transmitting end transceivers, for

dividing a data block into a plurality of data segments for transmission through said data

transmission channels.

Claim 14. (currently amended) The transmitting end of claim 13, wherein a size and a

quantity of said data segments are requested by said transmitting end arbitor for said a receiving

end through one of said data transmission channels before said data block is transmitted.

Claim 15. (original) The transmitting end of claim 13, wherein statuses of said data

segments are maintained by said transmitting end arbitor, and one of said data transmission

channels is determined for transmitting said data segments according to statuses of said data

segments and said data transmission channels.

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Claim 16. (original) The transmitting end of claim 15, wherein said data segment that is

under transmission is transmitted simultaneously through said data transmission channel that is

idle when status of one of said data transmission channels is determined idle by said transmitting

end arbitor, none of said plurality data segments is to be transmitted, and one of said data

segments is being transmitted.

Claim 17. (original) A receiving end for receiving a data block having a plurality of data

segments through a plurality of data transmission channels, comprising:

a plurality of receiving end transceivers, providing said data transmission channels; and

a receiving end arbitor, coupling to said receiving end transceivers, for receiving said data

segments through said data transmission channels and assembling said data segments to said data

block.

Claim 18. (original) The receiving end of claim 17, wherein a size and a quantity of said

data segments are requested through one of said data transmission channels, said size and said

quantity that are valid are responded by said receiving end.

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